National Integration Council is attached. [*See* Appendix CLIII Annexure No. 78].

(b) Yes, Sir.

U.S. Company's Overseas Employment and Education Service in India

1874. SHRI P.N. SUKUL : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 'Overseas Employment and Education Service', a registeed U.S. Company, is operating in India:

(b) if so, whether its functioning is in accordance with the laws of the land, governing such institutions;

(c) whether the U.S. nationals operating that Service in India have valid entry permits given by Government;

(d) whether any complaints have been received about violation of the laws of the country by that Service and the U.S. nationals operating it; and

(e) if so, the action being taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Review of Nuclear Policy by India

1875. SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India propose to review its nuclear policy in view of war-like postures adopted by Pakistan recently and infiltration of Pakistan-trained militants into Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) and (b) The security situation of India is constantly under review by the Government, particularly in the light of the developments in our neighbourhood. The Government of India will take all necessary measures designed to cope with any threat that may be posed to the security of the nation.

Handcuffing of Undertrials

1876. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a 12 year old boy was handcuffed by the U.P. Police recently as reported in the Times of India of the 19th Janury, 1990 and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government propose to ban handcuffing of undertrials except on serious cases?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMED SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir. As per information furnished by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, the boy Aslam was brought to Police Station Aliganj on 17-1-90 for some enquiries in connection with theft cases of petty nature where he was handcuffed by a constable. The constable who was responsible for handcuffing the 12-year boy, Aslam, has since been placed under suspension and further departmental action is being taken by the State Government in the matter.

(b) There already exist clear-cut instructions on the subject; hence no further instructions are required.

Pre-condition on return of the pledged gold ornaments by Portugal

1877. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Portugal have put a Pre-condition to return the pledged gold ornaments of Goans to "Banco National Ultramarinho" to that of return of "Evacuee Property" of Portuguese Nationals in Goa;

(b) if so, what is the stand of Government in this regard;

(c) what is the current "Evacuee Property" in the custody of Goa Government and the total property taken in Possession by Government after liberation of Goa in 1961; and

(d) whether Government are aware of the fraud whereby this property has been criminally pilfered by certain individuals, in absence of any claiment to such property by changing "records of rights" and subsequently acquired by the Goa Government?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) and (b) Negotiations are continuing between India and Portugal for the return of the pledged gold ornaments to India. The stand of he Govt. of India is that there can be no linkage with other issues.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected from the concerned State Government.

Ramjanambhoomi-Babri Masjid dispute

1878. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the dispute over Ramjanambhoomi-Babri Masjid still remains unresolved depsite Government's declaration to solve the same within a period of fifteen days; and

(b) if so, a what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) : (a) and (b) The Government has not made any such declaration. Recently, the Central Government has constituted a Committee comprising Prof. Madhu Dandavate, Union Finance Minister, Shri George Fernandes, Union Railway Minister and Shri Mukhtar Anis, Health Minister of Government of Uttar Pradesh to hold consultations with the various groups to find an amicable solution to the dispute. It is the considered view of the Government that this issue can be resolved in a spirit of mutual accommodation by building national consensus which is essential for preserving the emotional unity of the country.

Hazardous condition of DTC Buses

1879. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most of the DTC buses especially the private buses under DTC operation are running in a very dilapidated and hazardous condition with broken foot-boards, seats, door handles, rods and bars, dangerous for safe travel of commuters;